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1. Geneva Infant Feeding Association

Special, 2008

Introduction

The Geneva Infant Feeding Association is part of the International Baby Food Action Network (IBFAN).

Aims and purposes of the organization

The Association aims to protect, promote and support breastfeeding in compliance with the World Health Organization (WHO) International Code of Marketing of Breastmilk Substitutes and United Nations human rights instruments.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

IBFAN contributed to the following: WHO Implementation Plan for the Global Strategy on Infant and Young Child Feeding; reports of the Special Rapporteur on the right to food; the International Labour Organization (ILO) 'Maternity Protection Resource Package'; and the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR) Study on the child's right to health. The Association submitted alternative reports to: the Committee on the Rights of the Child (CRC); on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights (CESCR); and on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women (CEDAW). It prepared a joint statement to the 19th session, written statements to the 25th and 26th sessions, and contributed to side events at the 29th sessions of the Human Rights Council. IBFAN also contributed to OHCHR Technical guidance on child mortality; the CEDAW General Recommendation on the Rights of Rural Women and to WHO Framework of Engagement with Non-State Actors.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

The Association attended the WHO World Health Assembly and the Executive Board sessions; and contributed oral and written statements to CRC and CESCR Committee sessions; and in 2015 the WHO Technical consultation on conflicts of interest in nutrition, a session of the Committee on Food Security Civil Society Mechanism, and a session of the Inter-Governmental Working Group on Transnational Corporations and Human Rights.

Cooperation with United Nations entities

The Association organized a meeting with the Special Rapporteur on food and the CRC Committee; held a side event at the Human Rights Council in collaboration with WHO; conducted a CRC briefing in collaboration with WHO and United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF); disseminated a WHO survey on implementation of guidelines on HIV and infant feeding; convened a side event at WHA in collaboration with WHO; and contributed to UNICEF reports on climate

change and breastfeeding, the UNICEF/International Court of Justice 'Guide for NGOs on children's rights and business', the WHO/ILO seminar on maternity protection, the 2014-2015 WHO NetCode and NetCode Monitoring tools, and revision of UNICEF/UNHCR/Save the Children 'Guidelines on infant and young child feeding in transit'.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

The Association produced the DVD 'All about IBFAN'; published a series of Breastfeeding Briefs; prepared a statement on chemical residues and Infant and Young Child Feeding (IYCF); produced 'Frequently Asked Questions about Prebiotics and Probiotics'; and contributed to the Asia & the Pacific Policy Society report, "A fox building a chicken coop? — World Health Organization reform: Health for All, or more corporate influence?"

2. Global Alliance for Improved Nutrition

Special, 2008

Introduction

The Global Alliance for Improved Nutrition (GAIN) is a global Swiss-based foundation launched in 2002 to tackle malnutrition.

Aims and purposes of the organization

GAIN mobilises public-private partnerships and provides financial and technical support to deliver nutritious foods to people most at risk of malnutrition.

Significant changes in the organization

GAIN increased its presence in target countries to enhance programme effectiveness; strengthened its policy and advocacy function in Washington, DC, Canada and The Netherlands; and added technical and management capacity at headquarters. It invested in innovative delivery models to reach the most important target groups: infants, children, adolescent girls and mothers, and increased investment in research to fill gaps in evidence about nutrition and consumer behaviour.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

GAIN's programmes in Africa and Asia provided nutritional products, such as fortified staple foods and supported improved maternal and infant health by promoting breastfeeding and specialised products for infants over six months and young children. It partnered with local businesses to improve the quality of food and to build alliances. It supported countries to end all forms of malnutrition, including achieving by 2025 the internationally agreed targets on stunting and wasting in children under five years of age, and address the nutritional needs of adolescent girls, pregnant and lactating women, and older persons.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

Among other meetings, GAIN participated in the annual World Health Assemblies; as an observer in meetings of the Codex Alimentarius Commission of the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO); and as a co-organizer in events organized by various United Nations entities, including the United Nations Committee on World Food Security 42nd session and the Private Sector Mechanisms meetings; the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD) Expert Meeting on Policy Interfaces between Trade and the SDGs; the United Nations 2015 Private Sector Forum; the United Nations General Assembly high-level event, "Harnessing the power of multi-stakeholder partnerships to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals in Food and Nutrition Security"; the Third International Conference on Financing For Development; the 2nd International Conference on Nutrition (ICN2); 2014 Joint Thematic Debate on the role of partnerships in implementing the Post-2015 development agenda; launch of the Business Platform for Nutrition Research (BPNR); and United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) International Conference Against Child Undernutrition.

Cooperation with United Nations entities

GAIN is a core participant in the Scaling Up Nutrition (SUN) movement and with World Food Programme (WFP) jointly convened the SUN Business Network (SBN). Moreover, it works closely with WFP in policy coordination and programme implementation at the country level. In January 2014, GAIN was awarded the WFP Hunger Here Award. It partnered with UNICEF in various projects, including universal salt iodization in 13 countries. It regularly attended World Health Organization (WHO) Board meetings and worked closely with the Nutrition Department on research issues related to food fortification and maternal, infant and young child nutrition. In September 2015, GAIN and the Government of Tanzania, with other partners, organized the first Global Summit on Food Fortification #FutureFortified, in Arusha, Tanzania. GAIN is also a member of the "Geneva Perception Change" project led by the United Nations Office in Geneva.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

GAIN's programmes, including school feeding programmes, provided children with essential vitamins and minerals; promoted fortification of staple foods consumed by girls and young women, reducing iron deficiency and anaemia; improved young child feeding practices; and bolstered the nutritional status of infants and young children. It supported exclusive breastfeeding for six months and the development of nutritious complementary food and supplements for infants older than six months in addition to continued breastfeeding for two years and beyond; it contributed to healthy motherhood and better prospects for babies by improving the micronutrient status of girls, adolescents and women; it supported small scale projects to provide nutrient dense meals to people living with HIV; and it convened and facilitated active partnerships providing resources and technical assistance to international and national alliances of governments, the private sector and civil society that work together to reduce poverty and improve nutritional and health status.

3. Global Eco-Village Network

Special, 2000

Introduction

The Global Ecovillage Network (GEN) is the umbrella organization for ecovillages worldwide.

Aims and purposes of the organization

GEN aims to support the development of ecovillages around the world; foster the dissemination of information on ecovillage concepts, solutions and demonstration sites; build strong international, national and regional networks of ecovillages, and link these grassroots projects into a strong, participatory worldwide movement.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

GEN implemented sustainable human settlements in rural and urban settings around the world. Through its partner organization, Gaia Education, GEN published training materials and promoted courses that contributed to the Decade on Education for Sustainable Development and the Global Action Plan on ESD along with training components of the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR).

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

Among other meetings, GEN representatives participated and held a side event at the 2015 Climate Summit in partnership with the European Community-Led Initiatives for a Sustainable Europe (ECOLISE). The Network's representatives participated in the High Level Political Forum in 2013-2015; most sessions of the Open Working Group on the SDGs; several preparatory meetings and hearings for the 2015 Financing for Development Conference; Special Sessions of the United Nations General Assembly; and briefings by the Expert Group on SDG Indicators.

Cooperation with United Nations entities

No cooperation was specified.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

Ecovillage communities held Ecovillage Design Education Training Programs in more than 40 countries. GEN produced a quarterly newsletter with examples of best practices and ways to achieve the SDGs. The Ndandifor Ecovillage Training Center provides the model for and is a primary component of the Bafut 2020 Strategy for Sustainable Development in Cameroon. The Women Builder's

Cooperative trains women in natural and green building techniques, thus improving income and livelihood opportunities.

4. Global Family for Love and Peace

Special, 2012

Introduction

Global Family for Love and Peace (GFLP) is dedicated to building a harmonious world through promoting values-based education, organizing and directing activities for young people in the field of social service, and sponsoring interfaith dialogues.

Aims and purposes of the organization

GFLP aims to transform the power of love into action through intercultural and interfaith dialogues, conflict resolution, and activities and programmes related to the United Nations Culture of Peace, the International Day of Peace and Sustainable Development.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

GFLP sponsored the annual Week of Dialogue as a peace building project focused on conflict prevention.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

GFLP co-sponsored the 2015 observance of the International Day of Peace and a United Nations 70th Anniversary event.

Cooperation with United Nations entities

GFLP participated in the annual World Interfaith Harmony Week Programme, sponsored by the United Nations Alliance of Civilizations.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

GFLP and the United Nations Children's Fund jointly established the Dayu Nursery in Kawhmu, in the Delta Region of southern Myanmar. The Nursery employs professional preschool teachers and provides meals, education, and medical care free of charge for the young children of farming families while their parents are busy during the rainy season. GFLP also established an international eco-farm at Naung Moon near Lashio, in northern Myanmar's Shan state. The project utilizes environmentally friendly agricultural practices and organic farming techniques to enhance quality of life, provide an opportunity for impoverished local farmers, and provide children with practical education and vocational training.

5. Global Policy Forum

Special, 2000

Introduction

Founded in 1993, Global Policy Forum (GPF) monitors policy making at the United Nations.

Aims and purposes of the organization

The mission of GPF is to promote accountability of global decisions, educate and mobilize for global citizen participation, and advocate on vital issues of international peace and justice.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

During 2012-2015, GPF focussed on the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, financing for development, and the role of partnerships including with the private sector. It coordinated the Civil Society Reflection Group on Global Development Perspectives, which launched the flagship report "No future without justice" at the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development; and organized a number of public events on key issues related to the agenda of the United Nations.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

GPF representatives regularly attended meetings of the General Assembly, the Economic and Social Council and its subsidiary bodies; and participated in all meetings of the Open Working Group on Sustainable Development Goals, the Third International Conference on Financing for Development, the United Nations Sustainable Development Conference 2012, and the United Nations Sustainable Development Summit 2015.

Cooperation with United Nations entities

GPF works closely with United Nations Research Institute for Social Development (UNRISD) including its workshops on, "Women's Mobilization for Gender-Egalitarian Policy Change in the 20 Years since Beijing," and on "Responsibility and Accountability in the Post-2015 Agenda.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

No activities were specified.

6. Global Social Observatory

Special, 2008

Introduction

The Global Social Observatory (GSO) is an international organization founded to facilitate dialogue and disseminate information on social issues.

Aims and purposes of the organization

The purpose of the GSO is to support sustainable social development by encouraging stakeholders to engage in solutions and policy coherence.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

GSO convened a Colloquium Series of events on inclusive engagement to prevent and manage non-communicable diseases (NCDs) and presented an outcome statement with lessons learned to the World Health Organization (WHO). It established a partnership with the Scaling Up Nutrition (SUN) Movement and during the annual Global Gatherings of the Movement, convened consultations, made presentations, and in 2015 convened a global conference on conflict of interest.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

GSO participated in informal consultations convened by the WHO on NCD targets and indicators, on conflict of interest and on preparations for the Second International Conference on Nutrition. It participated in two dialogue events for the Global Coordination Mechanism for Non-Communicable Diseases (GCM/NCDs); organized webinars, roundtables and panels on the Post-2015 Development Agenda at the Public Forum of the World Trade Organization (WTO); made presentations at side events during Rio+20; participated at the Committee on Global Food Security (CFS); and attended the sessions and side events of the Human Rights Council, the United Nations High-level Event on the Millennium Development Goals and Post-2015 Development Agenda, the Thirteenth Session of the Open Working Group on Sustainable Development Goals, informal consultations on the Post-2015 Development Agenda; and the United Nations High-level Meeting on the Post-2015 Development Agenda.

Cooperation with United Nations entities

No cooperation was specified.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

GSO developed a reference note and toolkit on the prevention and management of conflict of interest in the Scaling Up Nutrition Movement.

7. Globethics.net Foundation

Special, 2012

Introduction

Globethics.net Foundation is a worldwide ethics network and online library.

Aims and purposes of the organization

The aim of Globethics.net is to provide equal access to knowledge resources in the field of applied ethics to enable individuals and institutions from developing and transition economies to participate in the global discourse on ethics.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

The Foundation's online library provided nearly 32,000 documents from or about the United Nations and its agencies. The Foundation published 92 books directly relevant to the United Nations development agenda and the Globethics.net Regional Programmes provided specialised content from their regions for the online library, promoted the growth of the network and implemented special projects. The Global Ethics Forum annual conference focused on promoting values in business, tackling inequality and on responsible leadership.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

Globethics.net representatives participated in the first WSIS+10 review event in 2013.

Cooperation with United Nations entities

Globethics.net participated in and organised a thematic workshop on 'The Ethics of Digital Innovation' at the World Summit on the Information Society (WSIS+10) Forum hosted by the International Telecommunication Union (ITU).

Globethics.net signed a library agreement to establish an online institutional collection with the United Nations Research Institution for Social Development (UNRISD). It delivered modules on ethics each year at the Executive Summer School (ESS) on Global Environmental Policy Programme (GEPP) organised in partnership with the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) and the University of Geneva (UNIGE), Switzerland. In October 2014 Globalethics.net co-organised with the United Nations Office for Partnerships a high level meeting on "Ethics in Politics and Business: Tools for Strengthening Values-based Leadership". On 30 April 2015, the Director of the United Nations Ethics Office delivered a public lecture on Doing Ethics in an Imperfect World: Instruments and Dilemmas in the United Nations System, at the invitation of Globethics.net.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

The Globethics Leadership Centre was launched in 2014 to provide resources, opportunities for collaboration and training, in particular for small and medium enterprises. Globethics.net also developed a special online collection on climate justice.

8. Goi Peace Foundation

Special, 2004

Introduction

The Goi Peace Foundation conducts research and educational activities for peace and sustainable development.

Aims and purposes of the organization

The Foundation aims to foster a sustainable and harmonious global society, promoting cooperation among individuals and organizations.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

The organization contributed to sustainable solutions for various global challenges by focusing primarily on awareness-raising and education for peace and sustainable development, local and global community building, and empowerment of citizens, especially the young.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

The Foundation attended several sessions of the United Nations Commission for Social Development (UNCSD); the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) World Conference on Education for Sustainable Development; the UNESCO Consultation and Planning Meeting of the Partner Networks of the Global Action Programme on Education for Sustainable Development (GAP on ESD); and the United Nations University Library Talk: "The UN Security Council in the 21st Century" (December 2015). It co-organized the 2014 UNESCO ESD Youth Conference, partnered with UNESCO on the 8th UNESCO Youth Forum and organized a socio-cultural event as part of the Forum's official programme.

Cooperation with United Nations entities

The Foundation co-organized a special event entitled "United for a Culture of Peace Through Interfaith Harmony" with the President of the 67th Session of the United Nations General Assembly; signed a Partnership Agreement with UNESCO to jointly promote youth development and civic engagement; co-organized, with

UNESCO, the annual International Essay Contest for Young People, and organized the 2014 Youth Citizen Entrepreneurship Competition with the support of UNESCO.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

The Foundation organised the 2015 International Essay Contest for Young People in commemoration of the 70th Anniversary of UNESCO; created the Earth Kids Space programme, as an official activity of the United Nations Decade of Education for Sustainable Development; started the annual Goi Peace Foundation Forum to address peace building and sustainable development; began a series of public lectures on values for the 21st century; and bi-monthly dialogues on "Living a New Civilization" to build sustainable lifestyle communities. The Foundation launched the Fuji Declaration initiative as a multi-disciplinary international alliance of individuals and organizations. The Foundation also completed a research study on "ESD: Education for Creating a New Civilization" in 2015.

9. Good Neighbors International

General, 1996

Introduction

Good Neighbors International (GNI) is a humanitarian development organization empowering and protecting the poorest and most vulnerable communities of 37 countries across Asia, Africa and Latin America.

Aims and purposes of the organization

GNI promotes and protects human rights through inclusive and comprehensive advocacy activities and development programmes addressing good governance, education, health, water and sanitation, income generation, community partnership, and emergency relief.

Significant changes in the organization

GNI set up three regional offices in Asia, Africa, and Latin America to enhance project coordination and efficiency in each region. In 2013 GNI adopted a new development policy.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

GNI joined national and regional civil society advocacy efforts for sustainable development since Rio+20 in 2012 up to the Sustainable Development Summit in 2015.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

From 2012-2015, GNI participated and contributed to more than 60 international meetings including the World Food Programme (WFP) Partnership Consultations, the United Nations Human Rights Council sessions, United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) NGO Consultations, and the United

Nations Department of Public Information NGO conferences. GNI participated at the 2015 World Education Forum and gave input to the 3rd United Nations Conference on Disaster Risk Reduction.

Cooperation with United Nations entities

GNI participated in the cluster mechanism under the United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA) during humanitarian crises, including as co-lead agency in the protection cluster at Gorkha after the 2015 Nepal earthquake.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

GNI undertook community development projects, child rights advocacy, and humanitarian interventions, including the following: the Hope School Project building 46 schools in Africa; a malnutrition project in Kagina, Republic of Rwanda; and a "Maternal and Child Health" project that trained local health staff and conducted programmes and campaigns to improve community members' awareness. It established the world's first hospital specializing in parasitic diseases through its Neglected Tropical Disease Control project in the United Republic of Tanzania; pioneered 24 "appropriate technology" programmes in 10 countries; and through Good Sharing, a social enterprise for climate change adaptation in Mongolia, distributed 40,500 eco-friendly and energy-efficient heat-accumulators. The Korean Energy Corporation GS Caltex, and the Korea International Cooperation Agency collaborated with GNI to establish "Good Solar Innovation", a social enterprise providing access to sustainable energy to extremely poor households in Cambodia.

10. Gran Fraternidad Universal

Special, 2000

Introduction

The Gran Fraternidad Universal (GFU), also known as Universal Great Brotherhood (UGB), promotes a Culture of Peace through its activities in 23 countries.

Aims and purposes of the organization

Since 1948, GFU has worked for human development in education, health, culture, human rights, nutrition, environment, science, and tolerance among others.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

GFU conducted conferences and forums on International Day of Yoga and an International Congress of Yoga in Maracay, Venezuela.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

GFU representatives attended the 65th Annual United Nations Department of Public Information NGO (DPI/NGO) Conference; the Sixth Session of the Open Working Group on Ageing; the 58th session of the Commission on the Status of Women; commemorated the annual celebration of International Women's Day; and participated in the DPI/NGO Thursday Briefings.

Cooperation with United Nations entities

The GFU has worked with children and young adults in an inter-cultural exchange programme called "Culture of Peace, the Science of Living", with the participation of representatives of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) and other governmental and non-governmental organizations.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

The organization convened educational conferences and planted trees for reforestation and environmental care in its Ashrams during annual observances of "International Earth Day". Additionally, representatives periodically visited indigenous communities to provide them with medical, educational and child health and hygiene services and workshops for pregnant mothers and young adults about drugs, nutrition and pre-yoga exercises.

11. Hebrew Immigrant Aid Society

Special, 2008

Introduction

The Hebrew Immigrant Aid Society (HIAS) is an international organization that advocates for and assists refugees building new lives in safety and in freedom.

Aims and purposes of the organization

HIAS provides migration assistance to refugees and asylum seekers, reunites separated families, and enables refugees to build new lives in their adoptive countries.

Significant changes in the organization

In December 2015, HIAS relocated its headquarters to Silver Spring, Maryland, United States.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

Among other activities, HIAS provided services to refugees and other displaced persons to assist with their legal protection needs; assisted in identifying refugees in need of resettlement to a third country, facilitated that resettlement, and welcomed and facilitated their integration in the country of resettlement;

implemented psycho-social programmes to assist refugees and other displaced persons develop coping and community support mechanisms; promoted livelihoods for refugees and displaced persons; and advocated before Governments and the United Nations on behalf of refugees, asylum seekers, and other displaced persons to help them find welcome, safety, and freedom.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

HIAS participated in the annual Country Operations Planning exercises for the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR), and actively participated at the annual session of the UNHCR NGO Consultations, as well as the Annual Tripartite Consultations on Resettlement and the High Commissioner's Dialogue on Refugee Protection.

Cooperation with United Nations entities

HIAS worked in close partnership with the UNHCR and the World Food Programme (WFP) under a tripartite agreement in Republic of Chad to provide trauma counselling, social services, distribute food in refugee camps, and facilitate relocation for those needing protection. It provided group-based services to children and adolescents, trained parents on the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child, and NGO partners on the UNHCR Code of Conduct for Humanitarian Workers. HIAS also worked with UNHCR and the United Nations Voluntary Fund for Victims of Torture (UNFVT) to administer a Sexual and Gender Based Persecution (SGBP) programme. It implemented programmes in partnership with UNHCR to provide legal assistance to asylum seekers in Ukraine, and starting in 2014, operated in partnership with UNHCR to monitor and provide legal assistance to internally displaced persons (IDPs) in Ukraine.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

HIAS implemented projects with UNHCR support to provide protection to Colombian refugees, to provide humanitarian assistance and psychosocial support, to prevent and respond to sexual and gender-based violence, and facilitate access to durable solutions for refugees, asylum-seekers, and other vulnerable populations. In partnership with World Food Programme, HIAS distributed food coupons, trained refugees on nutrition, and through the Urban Recoveries Project, assisted refugees with the planting of orchards for their use.

12. Hong Kong Federation of Women

Special, 2000

Introduction

Hong Kong Federation of Women (HKFW) was established in June 1993 to unite women from all walks of life.

Aims and purposes of the organization

HKFW aims to study and to improve and protect the lawful rights and status of women and to liaise with similar organizations worldwide.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

HKFW organized and participated in conferences, lectures, seminars and published material on women's rights and issues. In 2013 the organization convened a forum entitled, "Searching for a New Dimension for Hong Kong Women", to explore a new development direction for women in the 21st Century. It also has advocated for a 5th World Conference on Women.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

No participation was specified.

Cooperation with United Nations entities

HKFW invited the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women, (UN Women) China Office, as guest speaker at the "Searching for a New Dimension for Hong Kong Women" Forum in 2013 to share experiences regarding women's development.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

HKFW donated HK$625,000 and HK$300,000 to earthquake victims of Sichuan and Yunnan, and HK$1 million for the distribution of "Love and Lucky Bags" for the elderly and low-income families. The organization regularly conducted training courses to enhance women's employability. The Youth Leadership Million Training Programme offered a 7-month intensive programme to youth leaders to develop their management and personal skills. The International Affairs Sub-Committee has organized quarterly luncheon talks to raise women's awareness on current international issues; and the Federation's Quarterly Bulletin has included a bilingual article entitled "World Focus" to promote women's empowerment and gender equality and further broaden members' knowledge of international affairs.

13. Hope Worldwide

Special, 1996

Introduction

The International Churches of Christ founded HOPE Worldwide, Ltd. (HWW) in 1991 to serve the poor and needy throughout the world.

Aims and purposes of the organization

HWW delivers sustainable, high-impact, community-based services to the poor and needy.

Significant changes in the organization

HWW began its transition from an affiliate network to a worldwide network of member organizations in late 2015.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

HWW addressed needs in the areas of health, orphans and vulnerable children, social services and global disaster response.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

HWW participated in the Third United Nations World Conference on Disaster Risk Reduction.

Cooperation with United Nations entities

HWW has a representative on the Steering Committee of the Regional Inter-agency Task Team on Children and AIDS (RIATT) for Eastern and Southern Africa, which is hosted by the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF). HWW participated in the United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA) coordination clusters in the areas of education and nutrition, with UNICEF, on health with the World Health Organisation (WHO), and on logistics and food with the World Food Programme (WFP). It has implemented a programme with the United Nations Office for Disaster Risk Reduction (UNISDR) in Indonesia to increase capacity of educators in disaster preparedness; collaborated with the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) in Malaysia to provide free basic healthcare for refugees; provided input to UNICEF's development of National Guidelines for Child Friendly Spaces in the Philippines; was involved in pre-testing and validation of psychological first aid kits for children and adolescents co-organized by UNICEF and participated in a closed seminar on early childhood development innovation organized by UNICEF in South Africa; and served in Papua New Guinea as implementing partner of the National HIV programme funded by the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria, and advised jointly by the Joint United Nations Programme on HIV and AIDS (UNAIDS) and the United Nations Office for Project Services (UNOPS).

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

HWW engaged in numerous activities in support of the MDGs, including food and nutrition programmes, primary medical, dental health and tertiary-level care through two free hospitals. It provided housing, clean water, electricity, waste disposal to leprosy patients in India, facilitating their access to medical care, jobs, and employable skills; provided basic food, shelter assistance, small livelihood support and other services to beneficiaries in 7 disasters and 3 other crises; provided student sponsorships and other academic support activities to primary and

secondary school students in Asia and Africa; empowered female sex workers to form groups and engage in alternative activities through entrepreneurship training, linkage to microfinance institutions, and training on leadership and governance. HWW also trained female sex workers on gender-based violence, self-protection, and in life skills; empowered women through small business and financial schemes, provided child protection training, livelihood training centres, and interest-free loans for small home businesses for mothers.

HWW managed a non-profit health system in the Kingdom of Cambodia led by women and employed and trained women medical professionals. HWW conducted community awareness in African countries on the importance of antenatal visits, referrals, and giving birth in a health facility. HWW started a women's and children's hospital in Kampot, Cambodia.

HWW played key national roles in HIV access to full continuum of care, Tb community case-finding and treatment, and Malaria treatment education. In cooperation with pharmaceutical companies through in-kind and discount medicines, HWW provided affordable essential medications for 220,000 patient visits per year in Cambodia.

14. Horizon Foundation

Special, 2012

Introduction

Horizon Foundation was founded in 2006 to implement community development projects in Sierra Leone.

Aims and purposes of the organization

The Foundation aims to ensure that the Millennium Development Goals are achieved and the Paris Climate Change agreement is fulfilled.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

Horizon Foundation supported the United Nations' work to stop the spread of the deadly Ebola virus by implementing Water, Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH) programmes in Sierra Leone. The Foundation also engaged in adult employment efforts to reduce poverty.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

No participation was specified.

Cooperation with United Nations entities

No cooperation was specified.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

Horizon Foundation implemented a housing scheme to support homeless adults. The Foundation also launched the Back To Farm Project to equip rural farmers with basic farming equipment to get them back to agricultural production as a post-Ebola recovery measure.

15. Housing Works

Special, 2012

Introduction

Housing Works (HW) is a healing community of people living with and affected by HIV/AIDS.

Aims and purposes of the organization

Housing Works aims to end the dual crises of homelessness and AIDS through relentless advocacy, the provision of lifesaving services and entrepreneurial businesses that sustain its efforts.

Significant changes in the organization

In 2014 Housing Works became designated as a 330(h) Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC) by the United States Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA). Housing Works is now eligible for federal grants to cover costs of uncompensated care, enhanced Medicaid and Medicare revenue. It also restructured its Board of Directors that oversees health care services to include at least 51% client representation per HRSA guidelines. Also in 2014 HW merged with Positive Health Project (PHP), an organization that provides outreach and harm reduction services to injecting drug users, transgender individuals, and other high-risk populations. It also merged with HIV Law Project, which has provided pro bono legal services exclusively to low-income people living with HIV/AIDS since 1989.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

Housing Works offers a comprehensive array of client services including primary and mental health care, case management, substance use treatment, behavioural health and harm reduction services, permanent and transitional supportive housing, legal services and a job training programme for people living with HIV/AIDS.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

No participation was specified.

Cooperation with United Nations entities

Housing Works served on the governing body of the Joint United Nations Programme on HIV and AIDS (UNAIDS) as a NGO member of the Programme Coordinating Board. It has been part of the Interagency Task Team on Social Protection, Care, and Support and co-convener of annual summit to address social drivers of HIV, poverty and inequality, with UNAIDS, the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF), World Bank, the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), and the International Labour Organization (ILO). HW launched three demonstration projects with UNAIDS to address the social drivers of HIV in Kiev, Ukraine, Lusaka, Zambia, and Port-au-Prince, Haiti.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

In 2013, the Housing Works Asylum Project was established to ensure that LGBT activists facing persecution abroad could apply for asylum in the United States and gain the skills and support they need to live on their own. The Asylum Project leverages resources from Housing Works' housing, clinical, legal, and case management programmes to provide a comprehensive array of services.